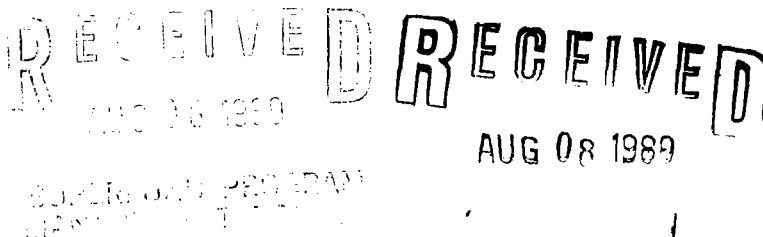




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July 28, 1989

Mr. Allen Alter
Pre-remedial Programs
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230 South Dearborn
Chicago, IL 60604



Dear Mr. Alter:

Within the previous three weeks the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency received draft site inspection reports prepared by the Field Investigation Team for the following sites: Pekin Muni Landfill #1 (980901615), Pflieger Greiss (980993562), Magna Corporation (000176842) and Stockton Muni Landfill (980606644). We are happy to provide the following comments and suggested revisions to these text.

Pekin Muni Landfill #1 - We have no comments or suggested changes in the contents of this draft report. We do, however, concur with the contractor recommendation that the site should be task for a Listing Site Inspection.

Pflieger Greiss - There appear to be a discrepancy between the thoughts contained within paragraph three on page 3-4, and those in section 5.4 on page 5-4. Information contained within this report would suggest that air sampling may very well be warranted in the LSI.

Magna Corporation - We have no comments or suggested changes in the contents of this draft report. The number and nature of the samples taken appears to adequately characterize this site, to the extent required of a screening site inspection. We do agree with the contractors recommendation that this site be tasked for a listing site inspection.

Stockton Muni Landfill - It was unfortunate that the contractors were unable to sample the existing landfill monitoring well network; or the intermittent drainage leading to Yellow Creek. This information would have been invaluable in the site analysis process. Other than that we have no other comments on the contents of this draft report. We do have concern, however, about the site recommendation contained within the pre and projected scoring package. For the following reasons we cannot concur with the contractors recommendation that this site be designated "No Further Action".

- * National guidance indicates that sites which score above twenty-five (25) should receive a high or medium priority and be task for a LSI. This site received a score of 35.70.
- * Due to the inability of the sampling team to obtain monitoring well samples, the inspection could not adequately evaluate the sites' potential to adversely impact local groundwaters.
- * Due to the inability of the sampling team to obtain samples from the drainage leading to Yellow Creek, the inspection could not adequately evaluate the sites potential to adversely impact local surface waters.



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Because of the above cited data gaps, we suggest that this site be designated a medium priority site and be task for a listing site inspection as time and resources allow.

We thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the content of these reports. Should you have any questions concerning this submission, please feel free to contact me at the telephone number identified above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom Crause".

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